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teen proven illegitimate
children, seven have shown
clear psychic tendencies.
Indeed, Melinda, his daughter
by Mrs. Penny Haff of
Hangover, New Hampshire,
correctly predicted the ap-
pearance of the fleet of flying
saucers at last year's bizarre
tragedy in Guyana. The
UFO's which materialized at
the People's Temple cult
grounds coincided with a sud-
den outbreak of sunspots and
the birth of twin Test Tube
Babies to Farrah Fawcett Ma-
jors and Cheryl Ladd.

Farrah's test tube baby, as
well as her notorious es-
capades with Warren Beatty
could spell the end to her mar-
riage with former Six Million
Dollar Man Steve Majors. The
break-up was predicted four
years ago by Phyllis Cornwal-
lis, the psychic of Newark,
New Jersey, who also
predicted the cocaine charges
surrounding White House
Chief of Staff Hamilton
Jordan and former Cambridge
Mayor Alfred Vellucci.

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It's....It's....

Monty Python's Life of Brian

By Pontius Iscariot

Humphrey Bogart's favorite
film will make its rabidly awaited
MIT premiere this **Saturday**,
March 15. Show times will be
6:00, 8:30, and 11:00 in 26-100
and 7:00 and 9:30 in 10-250.

This brand-new, outrageously
funny comedy stars Marilyn
Monroe and Clark Gable, in ad-
dition to the entire Python group
and dozens of extras. The plot
revolves around Brian Cohen,
(played by Monroe) the simple
son of a Nazareth dentist in
Roman-occupied Palestine.

Brian professes to be able to
cure leukemia, make omelettes
without breaking eggs, and turn
peanut butter into shampoo. He
is immediately seized upon by the
downtrodden people of Palestine
as the new Messiah who will free
them from all the Roman opposi-
tion, such as skyrocketing tuition
and forced commons.

Brian, however, wants only to
be left alone to enjoy his hobby of
mating birds with amphibians, so
he and Gable flee to Tunisia, set-
ting up the movie's most hilarious
line, "This must be Tunisia." Then
comes the thrilling chariot

race, in which Gable is killed, but
not before revealing that he is still
madly in love with former
Cambridge Mayor Alfred Vellucci.

Originally entitled *Brian of
Nazareth*, *Life of Brian* produced
widespread controversy by many
religious groups, who called the
film "sacreligious," "heretical,"
and "entirely too funny for bor-
ing stuffed shirts like ourselves." Among
the groups picketing
theatres showing *Brian* were the
Third Brian Adventists, and Our
Lady Brian of the Melons.

The film's success has already
inspired a flock of exploitative
imitations, such as *Ben-Brian*, *In
Search of Historic Brian*, and the
new rock opera *Brian Cohen*,
Superstar. "Honk If You Love
Brian" bumper stickers are
springing up everywhere, with
even President Jimmy Carter
wearing one on his forehead dur-
ing a recent press conference. The
FBI reports that incidents of
crucifixions are up 320 percent
during the last six months, and a
man calling himself Brian King
recently threw all the money
lenders out of Newark, New
Jersey.



McCormick 3rd West watch out Shrew Tamed

By Homer N. Jethro

Taming of the Shrew will be
shown by LSC this **Sunday** at 6:30
and 9:30 in 26-100. The following
review of the film is reprinted
from the February 14, 1977 issue
of *The Focus*:

Richard Burton and Elizabeth
Taylor are back together again,
this time for the Franco Zeffirelli
production of Shakespeare's im-
mortal comedy *The Taming of the
Shrew*. The film also features
Michael York as well as special
guest star Victor Spinetti, and is
the timeless story of a man who
marries a woman for her dowry
despite the fact that she is a
notorious nag. What follows are a
series of rollicking verbal battles
and a wild chase scene across the
Alps on dog sled.

Especially memorable is the
beginning of the second act, when
Burton and Taylor meet Gable
and Monroe on the 8th Avenue
IRT in New York City and decide
to go into business as free-lance

demolitionists. The plan is soon
forgotten as New York is reduced
to rubble from the blast of the ex-
ploding hydrogen bomb, hidden
in the Statue of Liberty by the
French when they gave it to the
United States in 1886 and set to
explode in 90 years.

With New York destroyed and
Washington in shambles, the
leadership of the nation falls on
Pocatello, Idaho, the home of our

(continued on page 6)



Steamboat Bill, Jr.

By Penguin Tangentsu

This week's tasteful Classics
Film features the energetic com-
edy of Buster Keaton in "Steam-
boat Bill, Jr." It will be shown on
Friday, March 14 at 7:30 in 10-
250. The famous Keaton short
"Cops" will also be shown.

"Steamboat Bill, Jr." was the
last film that Keaton starred in,
wrote, directed, and in general
creatively controlled. In addition,
he played all 350,000 extras, pro-
jected the film in all 275 theatres
where it opened, and single-
handedly constructed 180 of those
theatres in seven hours flat. In the
film, Keaton plays the son of a
Steamboat captain. His father has
high hopes for his son, but not
only does he prove to be a
hopeless shlepp, but he falls in
love with the rival captain's
daughter. His father is incensed,
especially after Keaton kills
Petruchio. Things become even
more complex after Tony and
Maria meet after the rumble, and
sing, "What Are We Going To

Do About Maria?" then all the
nuns go to the palace where the
King is dying, and he tells them
that "I think you're Charlton
Heston shall have been a fool,
etcetera, etcetera." Kirk tells
Spock to beam up, but Spock has
fallen in love with Monroe, and
the Vulcan's horn is up. A jealous
Gable stabs Spock, but the
Vulcan sets his phaser on 'clot'
and repairs the damage. In the
final moving scene of the film,
Bogart and former Cambridge
Mayor Alfred Vellucci go off
together to join a Free French
garrison near Brazaville.



A Look At The Upcoming New Hampshire Primary

By Witmond and Jerkover

With the 1984 New Hampshire primary approaching, many candidates have already begun preparing and organizing for that bellweather of presidential campaigns. The primary looks to be an exciting race, and today *The Focus!* takes a look at how the candidates are faring in their early campaigning.

President John Anderson (see photo) is given the nod as having the best organization in the state, although his popularity has decreased somewhat following last year's dramatic leap in inflation from two percent to five percent.

His main opposition will come from Ronald Raygun, making his fourth bid for the nomination at age 73. Raygun, whose campaign schedule is considerably limited by his confinement to a wheelchair and an iron lung, has nevertheless made inroads on President Anderson's support by his vows to drive the Soviet army out of Mexico and Australia.

The third man in this two man race is undoubtedly Howard Baker. Baker's main platform is his plan to rescue the fifty Americans still being held hostage in Iran. Baker plans to use the newest addition to the American military arsenal, a very large stick made of very hard wood (see photo).

If the primary were held tomorrow, Anderson would probably

nose out Raygun 45 percent to 40 percent, with Baker garnering ten percent and minor candidates like Dole, Stassen and former Cambridge Mayor Alfred Vellucci splitting the remainder, according to the most recent CBS-Gallop pole.

On the Democratic side, Teddy Kennedy will try to regain the party's nomination, but despite his popularity in his New England backyard, voters are sure to remember his startling defeat at the hands of John Anderson in 1980, 89 percent to 11 percent. Kennedy's campaign directors have just made a critical decision to dye Teddy's hair and give him a facelift to restore his youthful appearance and re-capture public perception of the almost mystical Kennedy vigor (see photo).

Other candidates in the race include current World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Mohammed Ali, one-term Massachusetts Governor Ed King, and former California Governor Jerry Brown, now 22 years old.

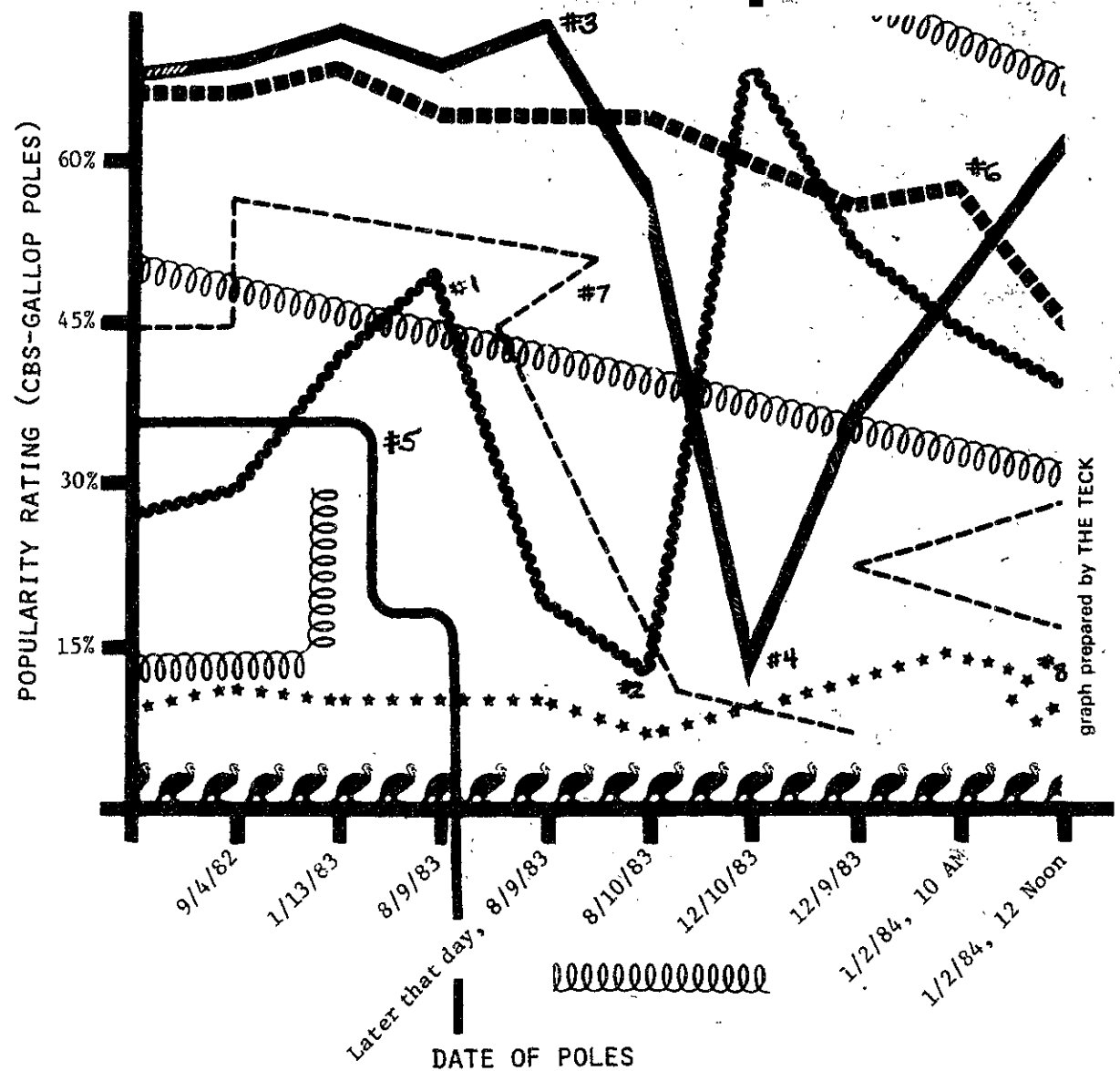
Brown's chances are not expected to be affected by his divorce last month from rock star Linda Rondstadt, but he has been hurt by being branded a flake because of his call for the legalization of meditation.

The Harris poll gives Kennedy 60 percent, Brown 15 percent, Ali three percent, and Uncommitted 22 percent. King is not expected to get any votes.



(Clockwise from Bottom): Howard Baker describes new secret weapon; former Cambridge Mayor Alfred Vellucci; Ted Kennedy after facelift; President John Anderson.

Those Fickle New Hampshire Poles



- Senator Edward Kennedy
- - - Governor Ronald Raygun
- Governor Jerry Brown
- ■ ■ ■ ■ President John Anderson
- ○ ○ ○ ○ Mayor Alfred Vellucci
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- #1) Raygun tells famous ethnic joke about black Pope.
- #2) Raygun's heart transplant is a total success.
- #3) Kennedy admits that he lied about Chapakwidik.
- #4) Mary Joe Kopechne discovered to be alive.
- #5) Former Cambridge Mayor Alfred Vellucci announces plan to ban all recombinant DNA research in Manchester, NH.
- #6) Popular 50¢/gallon gas tax repealed.
- #7) Brown decides to go with the flow-- shares the experience of campaigning with the voters.
- #8) The Big Dipper.

Lecture House

By Gones B. Bygones

LSC has just purchased a 17-room farmhouse in North Pomfret, Vermont. The structure, to be known as Lecture House, will be available for weekend use by members of the MIT community.

Lecture House will be scheduled in a radically different manner than MIT's other off-campus retreats. Applications will be solicited monthly and the following rules will apply:

1. Students will be given preference over Deans, administrators, and children.
2. Groups will be required to fill out their forms truthfully. (Persons interested in continuing the practice of submitting erroneous forms for their own enjoyment may still do so. However, applicants using pseudonymous group titles or fictitious names of members will be put on mandatory commons and their request will be rejected.)
3. Applications will be open to public inspection, though they will be withheld from the CIA.
4. Decisions will be made in an open manner by a group of students, all of whom have at least high school educations and the ability to tell a believable lie.

LSC hopes that these policies will provide the maximum benefit to the MIT community. Complaints, however, may be submitted in writing to Robert L. Halfinan, Acting Dean for Student Affairs, 7-133. Good luck!

Official MIT Notice

Talbot House assignments have been made for the month of April:

- 4th-6th Preprofessional Advising Office
- 11th-13th MIT Corporation
- 18th-20th Friends of Suzy Houpt Committee
- 25th-27th Alfred Vellucci High School

Police Bladder

Urchins Called Dangerous

Yes, once again Spring is just around the corner with its budding trees, its chirping birdies, and its undaunted bicycle thieves. The location and identification of these persons by our patrolmen is very difficult, indeed, so students are advised that with a lock their bikes should be secured in order to discourage these pests. And remember to report at once a theft to our office.

Dome Off Limits

Last week's plunge of a baby goat from the Lobby 7 Dome may have been amusing to the young rowdies who organized the "joke," but it was certainly not

funny to the four pedestrians who got splattered with goat guts, or for the poor goat's mother. Hacks such as these are neither funny and dangerous, and are even less acceptable when they occur on the Institute's roofs and domes which are off-limits to all non-authorized personnel.

West Garage Stolen

Vassar Street's West Parking Garage was stolen on Tuesday when a worker went to lunch without locking the door. All employees and personnel are once again reminded to lock all parking garages and other structures to prevent such future occurrences. Remember: Parking Garages are expensive!

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The picture that started the Campus Patrol investigation of Kresge's gradual disappearance (see story, page 3). Note the 2x4 wood beam which the man in the center has in his pocket and is trying to conceal. (Photo by Luther Heinz, Tick Tock. Used without permission)

17% - TDM!

By Joey Ramone

UAP Jonathan Hakalot '81, in an interview, explained he was in full agreement with the Chancellor's office's position on the recent tuition hike. Hakalot said that the 17% is completely acceptable. Hakalot pointed out that the inflation rate in Brazil is well over 35% and that MIT has a number of Brazilian students. "When you index the tuition rate increase to the Brazilian student cost of living and then average it proportionately over all MIT undergraduates, 17% becomes very acceptable," Hakalot went on to explain that "with MIT's large student population from European and Latin American countries and given their home country's respective rate of inflation, 17% is actually quite a bargain."

Hakalot then explained the recent curtailment of personal freedoms represented by the Commons decision. "With many students from communist countries and old fashioned repressive families at MIT, forced commons is a substantial increase in personal freedoms to many students here," Hakalot said he felt in deed that many students here "need the discipline" imparted by being forced to eat commons food.



Howdy Doody lookalike Jonathon Hakalot on receiving, from Paul Gray, a scholarship covering any expenses he might incur in his remaining time at MIT. (Photo by Gordo Haf-focused, courtesy The Rech)

With many feeling that the tuition and commons decisions represented failures on the part of Hakalot's administration, Hakalot felt obliged to point out his accomplishments. "We have substantially reorganized our accounting system. The \$50,000 reserve fund has been 'reorganized' to only \$25,000."

The UAP said that the other \$25,000 is being amortized by the Hakalot Development Board, a recently appointed Institute Committee. As far as the apparent failures with the administrative policy, Hakalot commented, "Don't worry. Nobody really expected that we could really do anything. I'd hate to upset them."

Entertainment complex plans revealed

By Flo Ziegfield

A new theater entertainment complex is now being built on the west campus by the MIT Leisure Services Corporation (LSC).

The facility, with a seating capacity of over 6000, will represent a major improvement in LSC movie quality. Plans currently include installation of two 70mm projectors capable of showing Ultra-Panavision, a six channel Dolby sound system, 30 Bose model 802 loudspeakers powered by 10,000 watts of amplification, and provision for the later installation of Sensurround equipment.

The two-story complex will have a 2000 seat ice skating rink on the ground floor to enable LSC to book the Ice Capades, the Ice Follies and the hockey playoffs of the Winter Olympics. At the end of each skating season, the ice surface will be chopped up and sold to SCC for use at the revived Strat's Rats. When asked if Rat patrons would mind the skated-on ice, SCC chairman Chris Wheeler-Dealer com-

mented, "No problem. They'll be too soused to notice."

A recent article in *The Reck* noted that MIT Physical Plant had not included sufficient fire escapes for the planned capacity in the design. When informed of the problem, LSC staff engineer Shorty Bill sighed, "That's unfortunate. That means that we might not be able to show as many nitrate films to packed houses as we planned."

LSC treasurer Joel "Dwarfo" Berez felt the cost of the new theater would not trigger an increase in movie prices "as long as our Chrysler stocks hold up." Otherwise, refreshments will just have to sell more squid and flax. Additional revenues will be generated by periodically renting the facility to the Athletic Department when LSC is not using it.

The grand opening for the new theater is planned for next February's Registration Day, when LSC will show "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs — What Really Happened."

Kresge pocket vetoed

By Thunder Turkey

A Physical Plant worker was arrested yesterday for attempting to steal Kresge Auditorium.

Pancake Turner, a 13-year employee of Physical Plant Building Services, was taken into custody by Campus Patrol officers while leaving Kresge with electrical conduit.

In a raid on his home near Harvard Square, Cambridge police discovered a large hoard of other parts of Kresge, including several panels of the old roof, most of the concrete thought to have been washed away from the west corner of the roof, and the two Bauer U-4 projectors installed in the Kresge projection booth late last summer.

"Our theory is that Turner slowly removed the concrete from the west corner of the roof, knowing that Kresge was due for re-roofing and that M.I.T. would close the building for reconstruction when the missing concrete was discovered," said Campus Patrol Officer Kookie Krupke yesterday.

"Once Kresge was closed, he carried pieces of the building home with him every night," continued Krupke. "Our first indication that Turner was trying to steal the building came when we saw a picture of the renovation work, taken by Luther Heinz, in a recent issue of *Tick Tock*. The picture clearly showed Turner with a piece of Kresge in his pocket."

Turner was arraigned yesterday in Middlesex County District Court on charges of grand larceny and edificial kidnapping, and was ordered to undergo psychiatric evaluation.

William Jennings Bryan,

District Judge, said in his order, "Although stealing a building is a truly heinous crime, anyone who would steal a Bauer projector must be suspected of mental incompetence."

In the meantime, M.I.T. has installed mercury-vapor lights near Kresge and at the south end of the

Student Center's Lobdell Dining Room where it overlooks Kresge Plaza.

Krupke said that the new lighting will help make potential Kresge-stealers easier to spot, as well as make Lobdell patrons watching Kresge less likely to loiter.



Turner with Kresge conduits, just before his arrest by Campus Patrol officers.

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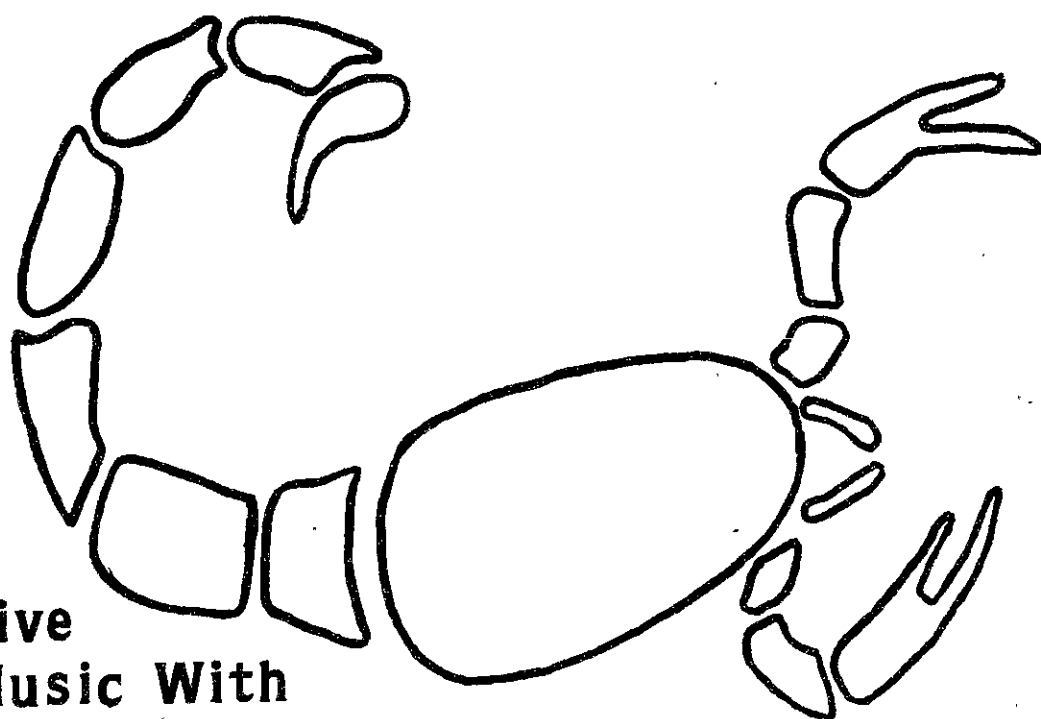
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opinion

Editorial

Building is fucked up

The new athletic center (to be completed in 1980, I mean 1981, I mean 1982...) is apparently going to have space for thousands of people, and adequate fire exits for half that amount. This tidbit comes to me by way of a prestigious newspaper on our campus. (I dare not say which since their business manager would love to have me sued for libel.) *The Rech* (whoops) ran this no doubt important news on the front page. It is disappointing that their fine reporters overlooked an even more campus-shattering failing of the heralded sports complex.

After all, the number of people the center will be able to accommodate is a trivial piece of information that affects only a minuscule portion of the MIT population. So there will be limited access to sports events. How many students actually go to these jockish displays anyhow? So graduating students will be permitted fewer guests at their ceremonies. How many students actually graduate? (Spot counts among those inhabitants of the fourth floor of the Student Center reveal a small number.)

No, the capacity of the Athletic Center is a moot point important only to the architects. What is truly devastating is the sheer size and placement of the monstrosity. Why, the damn thing is going to block the sunset!!!

Is that laughter I hear? Do not be derisive. This is more destructive to school spirit than you think. No more will MITSFS members be bathed in the glow of the setting sun, so vital to their well being, since the heat in the library is so finicky. The dignitaries of APO will no longer have the perfect backdrop to their meetings. An element of great beauty will be lost to all those who use the Student Center.

With Kresge lost to future generations, the main auditorium for MIT events is now the Sala de Puerto Rico. As the days become longer and the sun sets at a later hour, hundreds of people would have been crowded in that room observing the awe-inspiring last rays of our life-giving orb. Alas, this is not to be.

But this is not the true horror that that edifice will bring. An extensive surveying study reveals to me that the Center will protrude just enough past the Student Center so as to block out the rays of the setting sun that would shine down the Infinite Corridor. Yes, MIT has seen its last Sunset down the Infinite Corridor.

For those who do not know of this austere semiannual event, attend as I relate the tale. Twice a year, on days equally spaced about the winter solstice (Sunset Days occur on the last days of November and January), the sun sets exactly on a path that allows its rays to shoot straight down the Infinite Corridor. Twice a year hundreds gather at the far end of the Corridor to witness the occurrence. The event has great religious significance to the members of the community. Even such greats as Professor Emeritus Harold E. "Doc" Edgerton take time out of the hectic schedules in order to attend the event.

And now the infidels in the MIT Administration want to take all of this away!! How dare they? How dare we let them get away with it? If we do, this deprivation of our spiritual and aesthetic rights will only be the start. I envision a day not too far in the future when MIT students are forced to spend their lives enclosed by steel and concrete buildings, never seeing the sun, never knowing what the grass feels like when you and your boy/girl-friend topple onto it in the heat of spring passion...

Don't let this happen! We can stop them. All it takes is some of the spirit of the bygone days of revolution. Compulsory commons, poorly designed new dormitories and athletic complexes, all this can be stopped by the proper use of force and persuasion. We will demand that the administration tear down the new Athletic Center — and re-erect it eight feet closer to Central Square.



feedback

Rambling religious dog whap

To the Editor:

In light of the fact that this publication is traditionally the sounding board for the partially aware, and therefore prints things that no rag would dare touch, I crank forth this missive with some hopes and many doubts that it will be printed.

I continually read letters in your sister rag *The Rech* from some really incredible flaming, militaristic, feeble, schmucko, right-wing hawks with suicidal tendencies, begorance! Well, as the one duly appointed and official, even, representative of Veterinary Disciplism on campus, I will avail myself of this opportunity to enlighten you with the divine or at least mildly interesting words spoken by the first prophet Alphonzo Bedoya and attributed to either the god Murray or a particularly good lot of mushrooms.

Alphonzo recently said to me, and I quote, "Twas of a Knight, late, lang time ago, in that auld

stadle Eld wherein dour Stooly beginses." Alphonzo is a great man, who in every word leaves reams of meaning. This cryptic statement clearly outlines Murray's attitude towards the draft. A true veterinary disciplist would never allow himself to be taken alive. Besides, the military as a rule refuses to provide Mazola and Nymphets, two of the most critical ingredients for a successful Crossover celebration.

Continuing, and after a short interval of unintelligible mumbling, Alphonzo said, "Then hooligan Hornigan was ruemorgued to have been seen gathering his Masteries and shrifting through his dustard Deeds in a most peculiar fashion. And with that druided Snare creeping over his Visigoth at witch in later tombs people were heard to have forgrifted their Mummurs and dyed on the spot, be brudely Rapt in a twice nicely fadshun."

I mean, you gotta admit that

not even Lennon can get into propheting that heavy, you know? More psilocybin. So that shows that Murray is opposed to military action of any kind, anywhere but New Jersey. Oh, Fuck! I've lost my razor blade. So this just goes to show that, you know, the hawks are just like pissing up a rope, right? I'd better close this 'ere I loose it.

Anyhoo, Alphonzo closed by saying, "And laying that second Finger aside his nose and giving her Nod, Murray pilately washed his hands of the whole affair. And Cypilly speaking, It was probably a Blessing." Like, can you get behind that, man? Oh wow. Back to the sixties!

With Murray, you have no need for clothes!

S.J. Fazak G

The Focus! could not care less about its responsibility to the MIT community to be fair and reasonable.

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Nurd wants woman

To the Editor:

Well folks, again the administration has released one of its biased reports on sexual activity on campus. Speaking for the Committee for Social Betterment, I would like to put in our two cents for the male of the species. As usual, we demand equal time.

How can the Institute claim that there is harassment on this campus? I've never been harassed in all my years here. In fact, I'm pretty damned bored. I sit in my room every night in McGregor F entry. I keep hoping that someone will come harass me! I'm going to

graduate with simultaneous degrees in 6, 8, 18, 22 and 16 after only three years!

Why don't I get harassed, or groped even? I mean, I'm perfectly qualified for it! I'm male, have a 5.0, I finally licked my acne, I changed my eyeglass frames! Why won't women harass me? Come on! Just a roaming hand or a nudge if that's all you can spare! Please! I mean all of us on the committee are tired of each other. HELP!

Head Hunter
Committee for
Social Betterment

Letter written by a moron

To the Editor:

I am writing to express my amazement at the recent plethora of flaming about FinBoard's \$50,000 reserve fund. I will ignore the fact that this fund was specifically set up to be kept for long term projects and emergencies; that everyone even remotely connected with FinBoard knew of the fund's existence and purpose; that *The Rech* had nothing else for its front page on several occasions.

But what's all the fuss about? Don't people have any idea how much other campus organizations have stashed away? For example, SCC has \$210,000 in quarters generated by their pinball machines stored in vaults deep below the Student Center, the value of the silver in LSC's film collection is estimated at well over \$400,000, *The Review* holds \$90,000 in Chrysler 30-year debentures (though their market value is open to question), and the

Chinese Student Club hoards in excess of 12,000 tons of rice.

When I approached UA President Jonathan Hahaha to ask about his opinion on these holdings, he responded, "Of course I know of those assets for several years. I'm in the process of setting up meetings with... HOW MANY TONS OF RICE???"

Stephanos Berzadopolous '80

newt newt's news roundup

World

Soviets pushy — The Soviet push in the Middle East continues as Iraq and India fall under the tread of the advancing Red Army. President Jimmy Carter called a press conference to announce the addition of new items to the list of vital foodstuffs embargoed to the Soviet Union. Added to the list were such items as Count Chocula cereal, Pepsi-Cola, and Ring Dings.

Congressmen made assholes of — In the most recent FBI sting operation, several US Congressmen were accused of spitting on subway platforms. A Georgetown mansion was fitted to look like a subway stop on the new Washington subway system. Videotapes were made as the congressmen, thinking themselves to be on the first leg of an overseas fact-finding junket, were induced to spit by FBI agents disguised as ticket machines.

Nuclear Havoc

Bomb test confirmed — State department officials have today revealed that the unidentified nuclear explosion near South Africa last fall was an atomic device test by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. This confirms long-time rumors of MIT's nuclear weapons development program. MIT becomes the seventh member of the nuclear club, joining the US, the USSR, India, China, Britain, and Lichtenstein. When told about the development of the atomic weapon, MIT president Jerome Weisner is reported to have said, "Wow! Neat!"

Nuclear advances — President Carter has approved funds for the controversial MX Army Camp System. This program would build fifty army camps on a huge reservation in Nevada. The camps would be connected by underground tunnels, and all the army camp personnel would periodically run from one camp to another. Thus, the Soviets would never be sure which of the fifty camps to nuke blue.

MX Missiles for Massachusetts — Some changes to the MX missile program have been recently approved. In order to minimize expenses, railroad track already in place will be used to shuttle the missiles underground from stop to stop. Massachusetts Governor Ed King has announced that the MBTA subway system will house two MX missiles. "In addition to keeping the metropolitan Boston area safe from Commie attack," said King, "the MBTA deficit will be greatly relieved, since each time a missile is moved, the US Army will be charged 25 cents."

National

Feeble candidate fights back — Republican presidential contender Ronald Raygun today called a press conference to refute claims made in a recent *The Rech* article that he was too old and feeble to serve as president. While tap dancing across the stage, Raygun reminded members of the press of the leadership qualities he showed in his role in *King's Row*. Raygun noted that his experience working with a monkey in *Bedtime for Bonzo* qualified him to deal with Congress. He then went on to tell his vast repertoire of ethnic jokes on Italians, Australians, Texans, Ducks, Iguanas, and citrus fruits.

Weather

Warm and pleasant today, with a chance of rain tonight. Changing to snow by midnight and then to huge red hot rocks plunging from the sky, mutilating innocent women and children, ripping their limbs off, and disemboweling helpless widows, orphans, and cripples. Tides two to three hundred feet above normal, with some flooding of low lying coastal areas expected. Clearing towards morning, with temperatures rising towards 300 degrees Celsius by noon. As the oceans boil away, uncovering secret UFO bases hidden within the Bermuda triangle, billions of test tube babies looking like Farrah Fawcett Majors will drop from the sky, and will take over all the capitals of the world. As the sand lizards from Alpha-Orionis IV begin the counter-attack Sunday morning, most of the Earth's surface will be reduced to a fused lump of radioactive silica. By Monday, skies should clear, with seasonable temperatures.

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Religion: Buddhist

Personality Traits: Quiet, shy, reserved, patient, loving, and understanding.

Interests: Volunteer work and community service, basic interest in Japanese-American history and culture, knowledge of Japanese language, tea ceremony, and flower arrangement (ikebana) is desirable. Japanese cooking is mandatory.

Family Life: A large family of five children is planned. Sex will be provided thrice weekly.

All applicants must not drink, smoke, or use mind-altering drugs. Applicants must refrain from the use of foul language.

Only virgins need apply.

Adios folks, it's been real

By Steven Solenoid

The entire administration will leave MIT on June 1, ex-President elect Paul Gray will announce tomorrow in a meeting with the Corporation. In a separate action, the faculty is also expected to resign.

Student leaders will substitute for the administration until a new one can be assembled. UAP Jonathon Hakala '81 will replace Gray as President-elect and each GA member will become a Vice-President.

Due to the light nature of the work and lack of experience necessary, it is not anticipated that the new administration will experience any insurmountable difficulties.

The prevailing reason for the resignations was a need for a "change of pace."

"I've been here for practically my whole life, for Christ's sake! I may have been President-elect for only a few months, but I've been around for more years than most students have been alive, and I'm sick and tired of the place. I've done my best to drive the little buggers [students] out, but I guess I failed, and it's either them or me," explained Gray.

In a major policy address Wednesday to a group of three comatose students, Hakala announced a tuition hike in addition to the one approved by Gray.

"I have determined that this tuition hike will offset a potentially larger one that looms in our future. I would like to take time to point out that this apparently substantial increase of \$400 is exactly the amount that I had promised we would hold the administration to," said Hakala.

Hakala refused to comment on why many campus leaders, in-

cluding UAVP Chuck Markham and SCC Chairman Chris Wheeler have been detained for "questioning" by the Campus Patrol.

The abolition of student government was also announced in the seven hour address. Hakala felt that there was no need for this with "a substantially responsive and responsible" person in the President's office.

Dean Robert Holden has offered his services as UAP if student government is ever re-established.

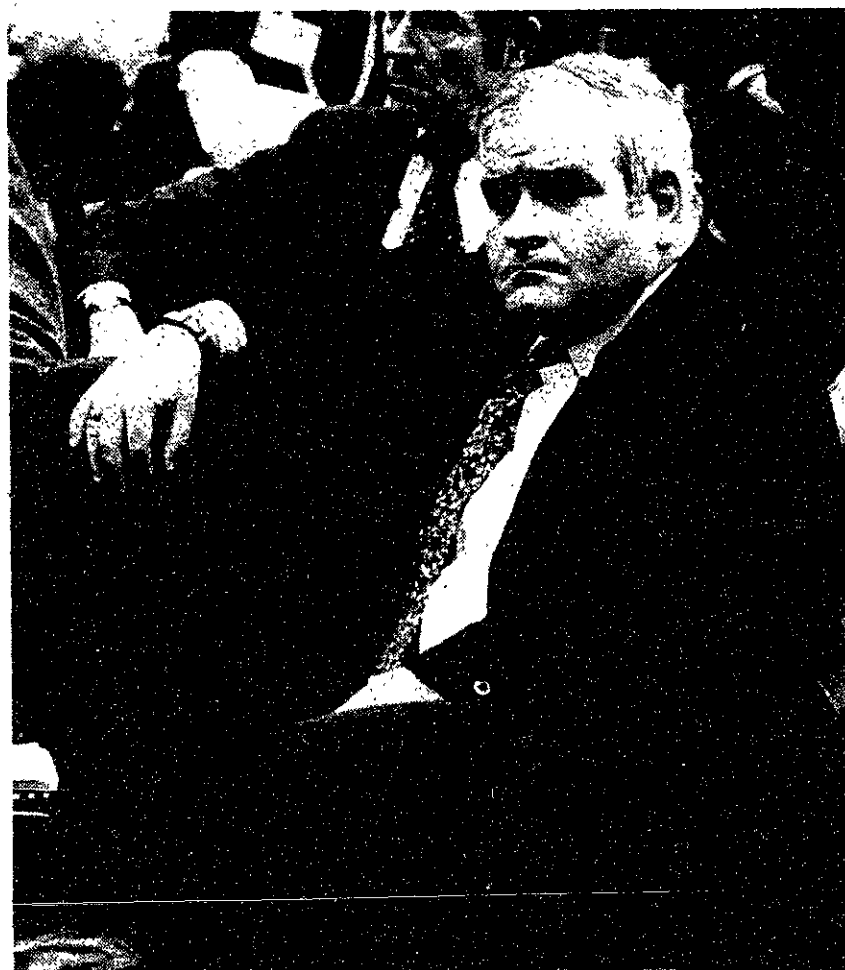
The faculty gave a different reason for resigning. They are

angry with the administration for not receiving news of major decisions before student publications.

Vacated faculty positions will be filled by Physical Plant employees.

Gray is making himself available as a draft candidate for the 1980 Republican Presidential nomination. "After all this time, I don't want to completely give up the chance of a Presidential position, no matter where it is," he said.

Gray feels that he can "screw people as well as anyone in government."



Paul Gray eagerly awaiting the luncheon for the Corporation catered by Dining Service.

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arts

Rene Miller lecture on "Energy from Space"

By Stevie Dwarfski

Professor Rene Miller, a NASA consultant on the development of the space shuttle and former head of M.I.T.'s Aero and Astro department, will give a free lecture on "Energy from Space" Tues., March 18 at 8pm in 10-250. Slides and a film simulation of space construction will be shown.

Much of the lecture will be based on UROP research conducted at Senior House. "Cosmic Heads," the name of the student research group, hopes to erect the world's largest marquee in a geosynchronous orbit over Boston. Powered by solar cells, the marquee will operate in the night sky to be visible from the ground.

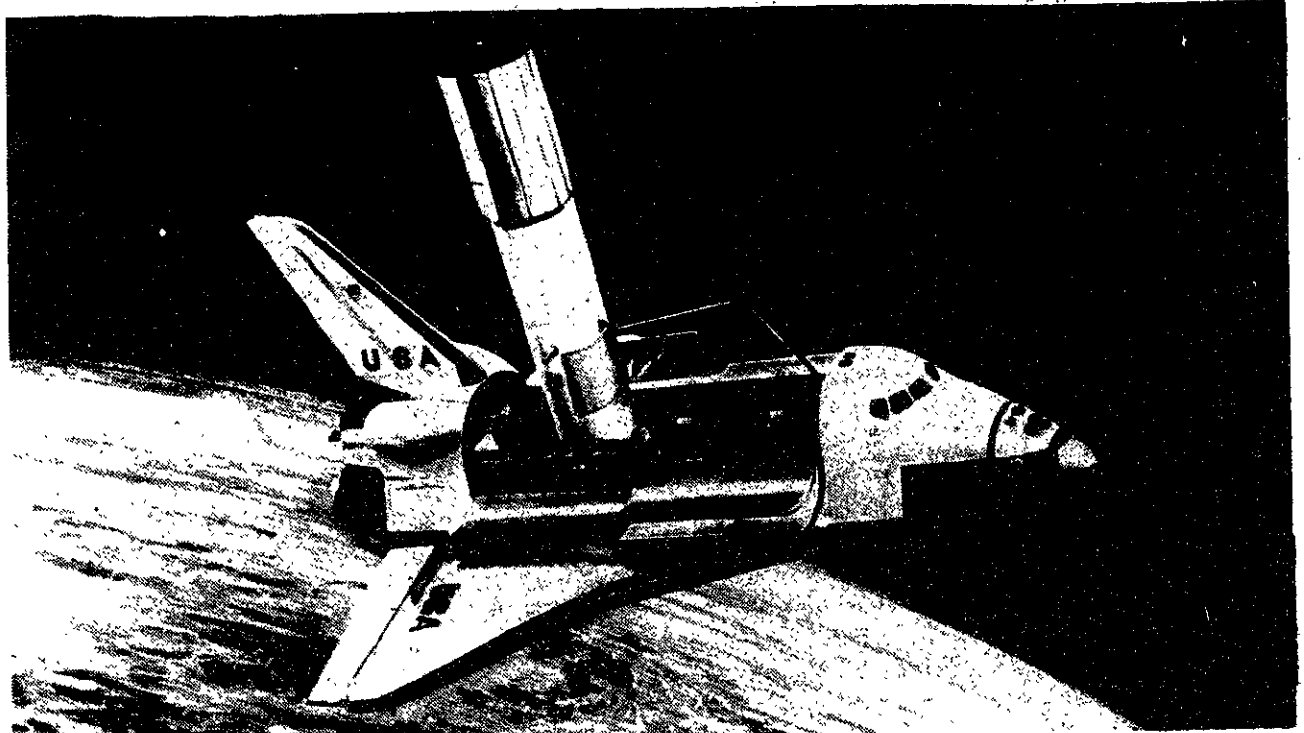
The first message planned is "Do drugs to live. Live to do

drugs." Advertising space will eventually be available at a price to help offset the cost of the operation.

Babcock and Wilcox, the company that built the reactor at Three Mile Island, and Hughes Aircraft are rumored to be offering six digit sums for advertising space.

In case of solar cell failure, the "Heads" have a backup system planned, consisting of a large metal cage containing 3,473,819 gerbils powering a generator.

Finding space suits to fit the animals is expected to be difficult. Original experiments on this method resulted in failure when the gerbils exploded when exposed to the vacuum.



Space shuttle placing marquee into orbit.

Lost horizons

By Francis Ford Crappola

"Transparent Horizons," the sheet metal sculpture installed several years ago between the East Campus parallels, will have to be removed within two weeks according to Vice-President Constantine Simonides.

The artist, Louise Nevillson, has refused to sign a "memo of liability" covering the damage to East Campus and the psyches of the students living there.

The memo, which Nevillson called "ridiculous," makes the Chemical Engineering department and her liable for all damages caused by the sculpture.

"It's really grotesque, I know. I made it that way to show M.I.T. what is happening to its students. Some poor innocent pieces of metal, bent and warped under intense heat and pressure, symbolize the poor M.I.T. tool. It is especially appropriate for a dor-

mitory like East Campus," explained Ms. Nevillson.

Norm Magnusson, East Campus house manager, applauded the memo. "Now we can get even with them for the Green Building!" he exclaimed.

East Campus residents had mixed responses ranging from unprintable to disappointed. "What will we do on weekends without Transparent Horizons to hack?" asked one student.

Nevillson responded to this attitude by saying, "Students should interact with their environment. Who knows, they might improve it!"

Plans for "Transparent Horizons" are still unclear. Bexley still is on record as wanting it, citing the need for it during R/O week. Alternatively, it may be converted into a thermite powered torch for the Olympics to be held in Boston.



Artist Louise Nevillson, whose sculpture "Transparent Horizons," subtitled "A Self-portrait in Iron," must be moved within 2 weeks.

Still Tame

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nationwide speech. Zit calls for an end to the needless slaughter of celery and is quickly sent away to a home for people who say things like that. Finally, with a modicum of sanity restored, Burton and Taylor return to their home in Cambridge, where Burton meets McCormick and Baker and they settle down to become a row of West Campus dormitories.

Happiness eludes Baker, however, and he decides to run for President of the United States, but is handily defeated by John Anderson. In a moving scene, he tells former Cambridge Mayor Alfred Vellucci that "my life has become a jar of mayonnaise." Critics and audiences still argue over the meaning of those famous and enigmatic last words.

Robbery Continues

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in the crucial third reel. Doctors were forced to do an emergency scenectomy, tragically removing the scene where Gable and Monroe help Connery and Sutherland remove the gold bullion from the train. However, this is soon forgotten as the very next scene is the incredibly powerful one where Connery realizes he has won the loot but lost his innocence: he has done the impossible but lost his pride and integrity; he has reached the peak of

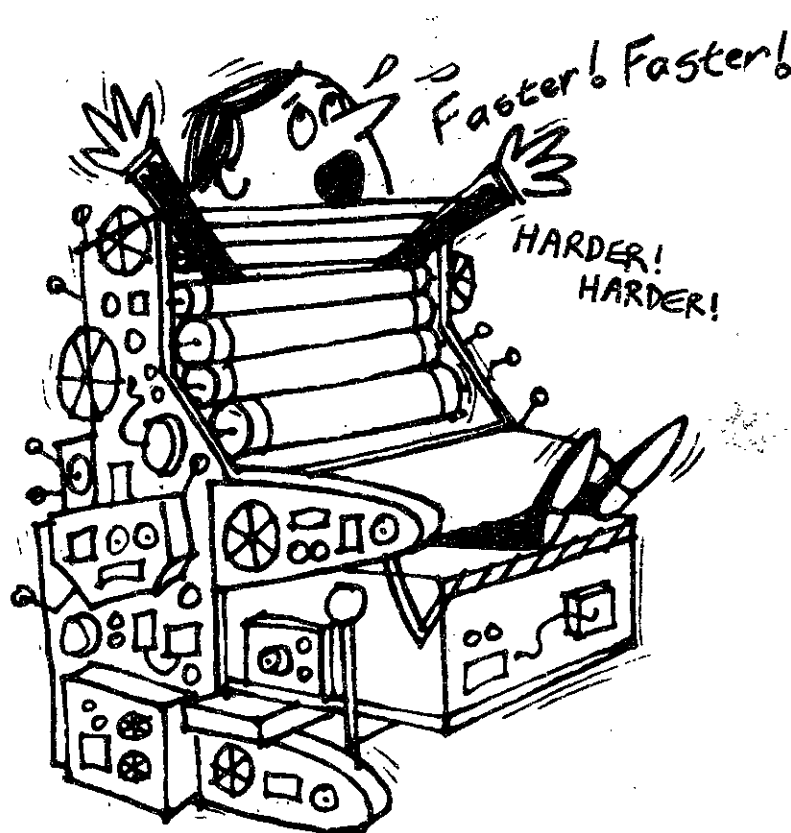
his talents but lost his secret Roger Ramjet decoder ring.

The Great Train Robbery has been so well received by the public that other robbery movies are being planned. The soon to be released Airport '80: The Great Plane Robbery will star Bruce Dern, Victor Spinetti, and former Mayor Alfred Vellucci. Others include The Great Tricycle Robbery, The Great No. 1 Harvard-Dudley Bus Robbery, and The Great Inter-Continental Trans-Atlantic Monorail Robbery (directed by Irwin Allen).

A Poem

I've a gouse and harden in the country
An ace I call my plone
A treat I can replace to
When I beed to nee alone
Catterfly and butterpillar
Perch on beafy lough
And I listen to the dats and cogs
As they mark and they beow
Yes, wature here is nunderful
There is no weed for nurds
While silling by my window flutter
Biny little turds.

—Traditional



Have you ever wondered what goes into an LSC poster? Well, it all begins in the darkroom with proper dark room techniques. First we use rubber cement to make a nice sticky paste-up. Then we flash the film and impregnate it with developer to get all the parts well-developed, and fixer so that it can be exposed in broad daylight. You must make sure you have the right point size. Negs are scantily clad with masking sheets on one side and nothing (Oooh!) on the other. The next step of our process is mounting the plate with the diddle stick, and then passing over the blanket and between the rollers. When a white spot appears on the plate, it's time to put your Tusche on the plate. And for a final clean-up... Putz on the rollers.

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Olympics take dorms

By Jethro M. Rhuel

All students living in dormitories will be requested to vacate their rooms by April 15 to provide housing for the alternate 1980 Summer Olympic Games to be held in Boston, announced MIT director of student housing H. E. Brammer yesterday.

Students unable to find off-campus housing will be placed in Kresge auditorium, now unused due to roof repair, and in the new indoor athletic facility, which will be enclosed in polyethylene sheets until the walls are completed early in the summer.

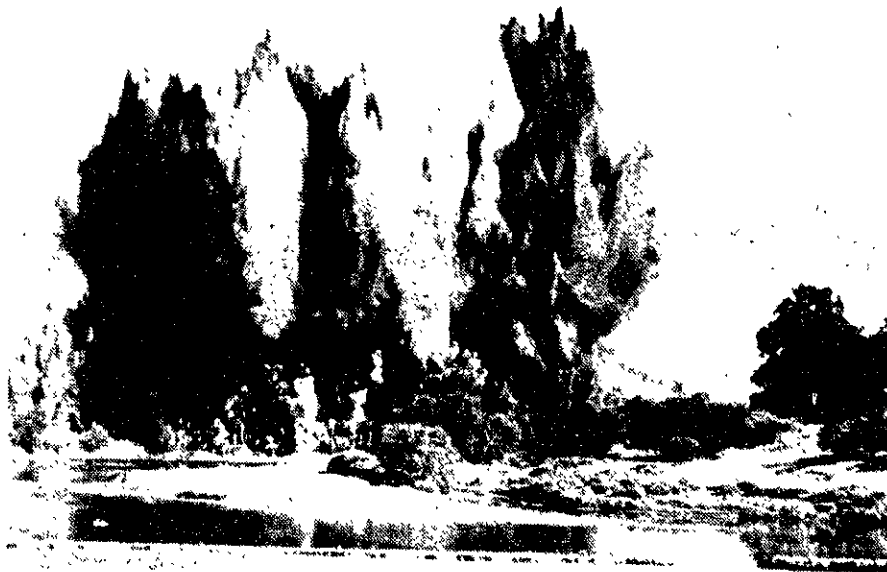
These spaces are obvious choices, noted Brammer, since they are not fully utilized at this time and are conveniently close to campus. And, he continued, most students would not notice the difference between their current rooms and the new accommodations.

Students living in Kresge will be assigned two adjacent seats, one in which to sleep and one in which to study. Since no food is allowed in the auditorium, all students will be placed on compulsory commons in Lobdell.

Hooks will be supplied in the

new athletic center so that students can sling hammocks.

In order to pay for the dormitory improvements, student rents will be increased 100 percent, retroactive to September, 1979. Brammer felt that this increase was not unreasonable, since students will be able to take advantage of the improvements next fall, like the 12 foot barbed wire fences, guard stations, and spotlights. These changes will have definite recreational advantages and will cut the flow of urchins through the dormitories, said Brammer.



Baker House, a future home for Olympic Athletes

notes

The Boston Symphony will be performing Mozart's "Yellow Submarine" in the Hardware Department of the Harvard Coop in about twelve minutes from now. Tickets can be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped hedgehog to Libyan President Muammar Qaddafi.

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A special presentation of Hans Philbert's classic mime ballet, "Two Sisters and a Corn Muffin", will be performed by the Philbert Mime Ballet. The performance can be seen this Wednesday in the Great Court, but only if you bring really good binoculars as the ballet company will be in Braintree.

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An exhibit of Matchstick Art by sculptor Felix "Two-Sheds" Borschtsky will be held in Boston's Public Garden this weekend. The exhibit includes matchsticks of every conceivable size and color, as well as Borschtsky's 'Mona Matchstick.'

Unclassified Pervertising

Shy, lonely MIT President wants to meet voluptuous female for last fling before retirement. Please call 253-1000 and ask for Jerome.

Parking Garage for sale. Slightly used but good condition. May need minor foundation work and some painting. Call Len at x3-1541.

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Last chance: after months of waiting, we're about to give up. If you're red-headed and lonely, have we got a match for you. Virgins get first pick. Call Cap'n Eddy or Uncle Erki at x3-3791.

This Saturday's **Midnight Movie**, "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre", has been cancelled, due to the film accidentally being delivered to the LSC Office and subsequently vanishing mysteriously.

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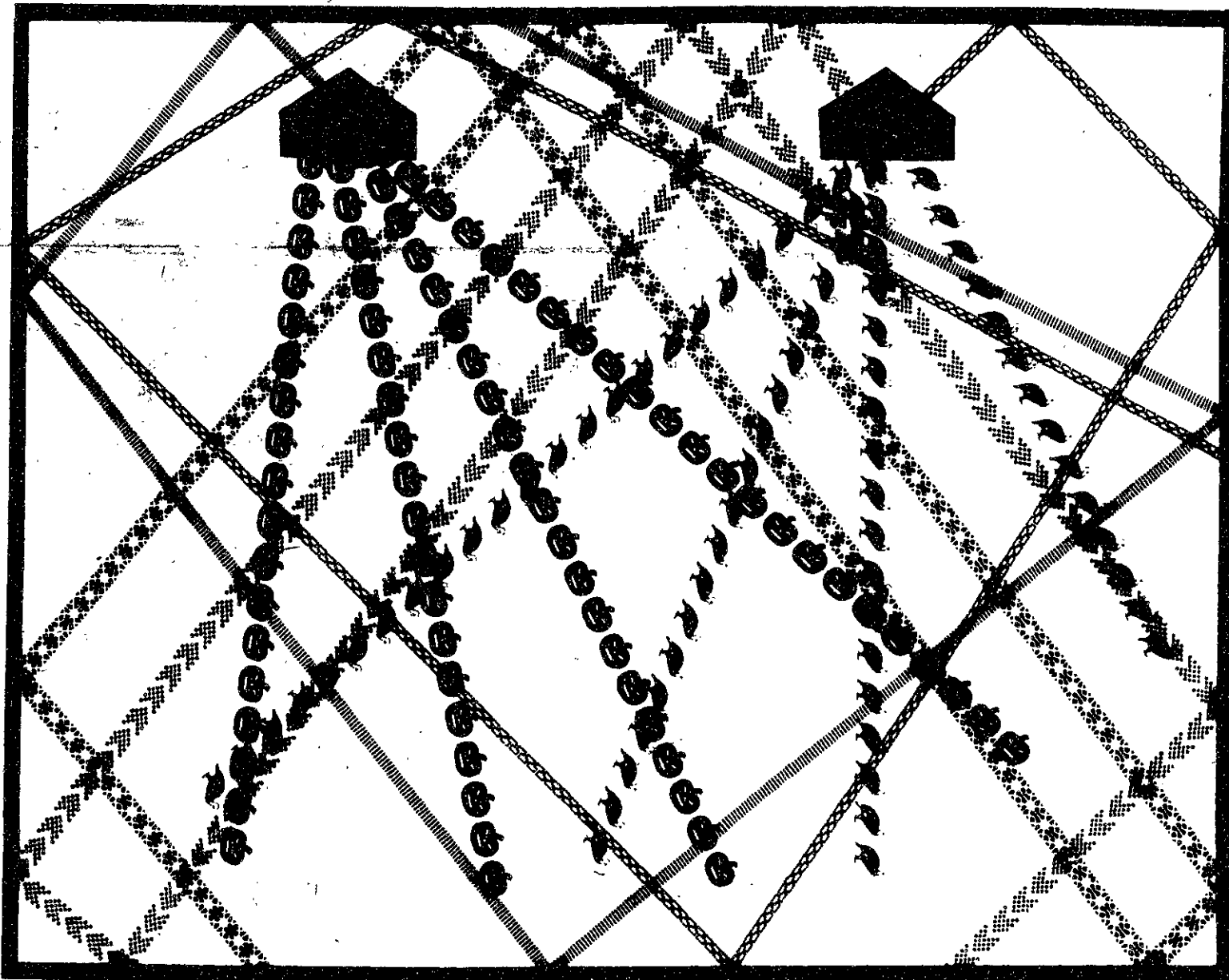
The department of Food and Nutrition is offering a series of lectures this weekend on "Our Friend The Rutabaga". For times and locations call Department Headquarters and speak to Miss Anne Rutabaga.

There will be a **rally supporting the draft** to be held Sat., March 18 at Pier 6. Participants will be inducted immediately and sent off to the country of their choice.

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sports

Sport rumbles on campus

By Gordo Haffaware

A new intramural sport will be added next year when IM street fighting competitions begin in October.

This sport is being added since many of MIT's inner city students have complained that the present range of sports offered is discriminatory since their backgrounds emphasized survival techniques over "hopsotch and jacks."

Dean Robert Holden is the administration member that has provided the main support for the new activity. "I can fully relate to

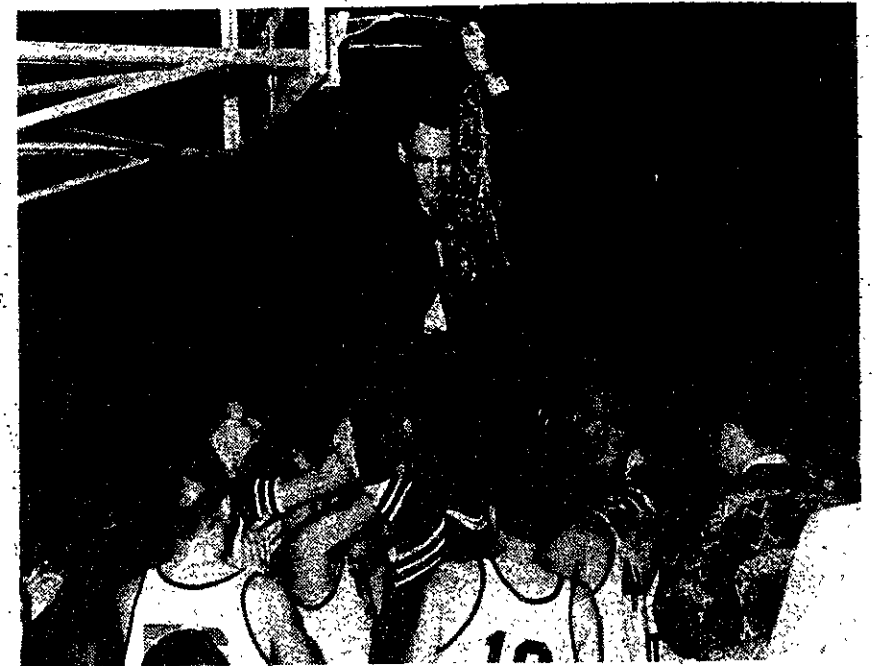
the problems of the inner city youth," said Holden. "Furthermore, I welcome a unique opportunity to involve the Cambridge community in activities at MIT."

Intramural Chairman Peter Lemning '69 praised an interest in "a healthy mind and a healthy body," shown by these students.

In street fighting, two opposing teams meet in a large vacant lot, in this case Briggs Field. At the referee's signal, the teams begin to fight. At the end of the time period, the team with the greater number of members left is declared the winner.

There are four different leagues. D league allows only unarmed combatants. C, B, and A leagues, respectively, allow broken bottles, knives and chains, and zip guns.

The only difficulty facing the institution of the sport has been the difficulty in finding insurance underwriters for new sports at MIT since the \$2,300,000 insurance claim made during last fall's Freshman Green Building Jump [The Focus, Vol. 27 Number 1].



MIT team trying to gnurdstuff for two points in last night's game (Photo by short stuff courtesy The Rech)

Basketball 5.0

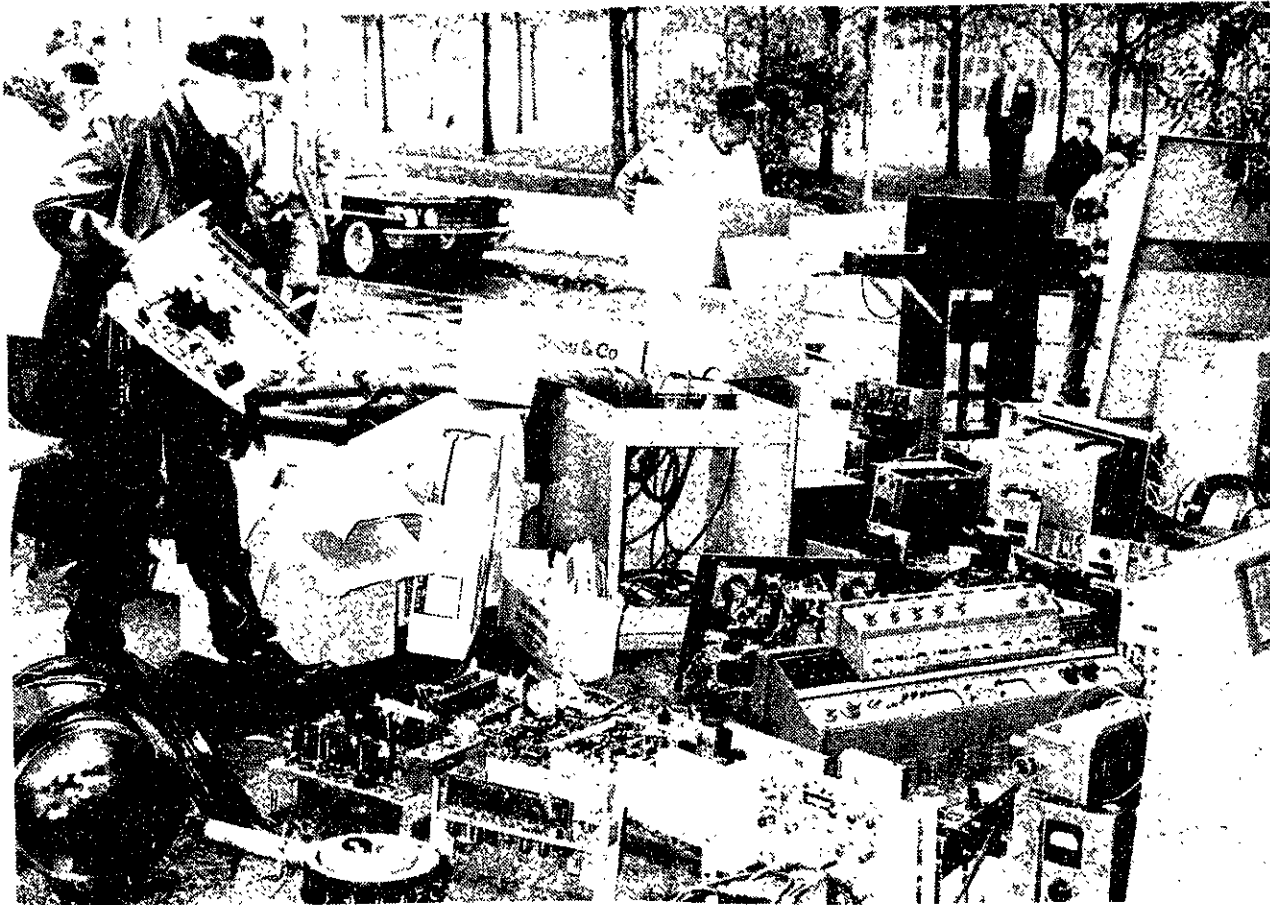
By Captain Crunch

Since the recent report that the vinyl used to cover basketballs is hazardous to the health of active players, the stands all over the country have been filled to overflowing with screaming death crazed crowds. However, at MIT, where such passionate activity would be considered ungnurdly, they have kept the crowds below the limited capacity of the Cage's bleachers.

Two MIT Students, Dave McNurd and Sue Tuleson, came up with a new way to play Basketgnurd. Basketgnurd sub-

stitutes an MIT approved nerd for the usual NCAA approved basketball. Nurdus were chosen because of their unique ability to dribble all by themselves.

When asked how he liked the new version of the game, star player Tilty Tallest commented, "Well, I think that gnurd baskets should be worth more than two points since it takes at least three players to stuff one." Another player enjoined, "I love it! It moves incredibly quickly since the nurd keeps getting up and running away."



Workmen deliver new sound equipment for 26-100 last summer.

26-100 renovations(cont.)

By R. M. Jethro

LSC today announced the near completion of the new 26-100 sound system. The third phase of the project, the completion of the booth monitoring facility and improvements to the Dolby stereo cinema processor, are now completed.

The first two phases of the renovation, installation of the Dolby stereo cinema processor and the Bose amplifiers and speakers, were completed during the summer of 1979. In the fall, a Kintek cinema processor for 16mm films was added. The recent improvements to the Dolby processor improved stereo

separation on the three front channels.

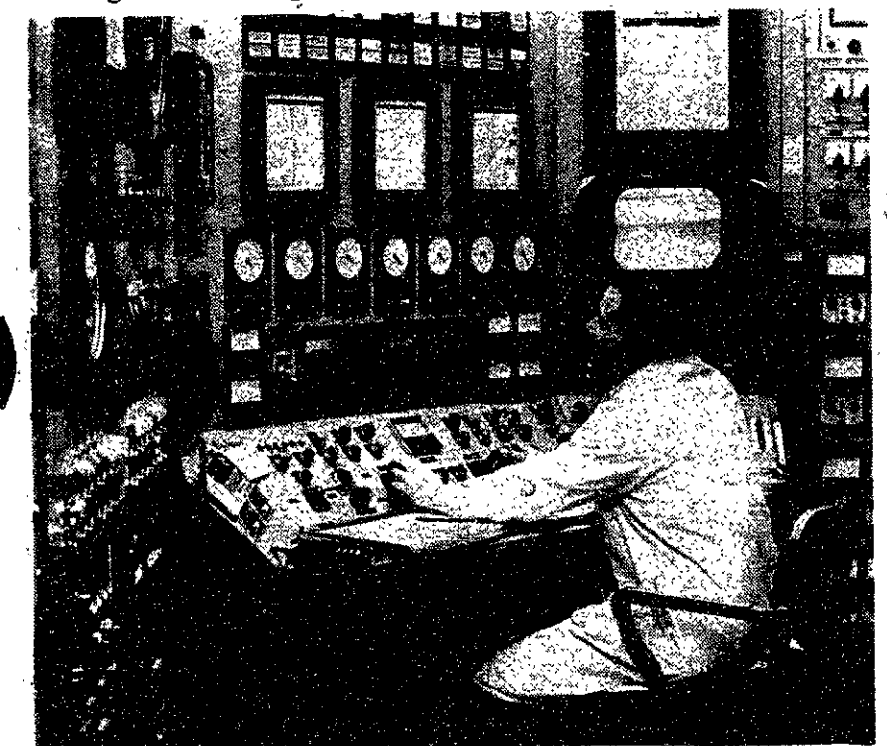
Later phases include the installation of projectors for Cinerama, Imax, VistaVision, Super 8, and GAF Viewmaster reels. Sound systems for Fantasound, PerspectaSound, and Vitaphone will be added.

The final phase calls for the installation of a huge theatre pipe organ for LSC's annual silent movie. However, this modification will require closing 26-100 for a semester so that the Physics preparation room can be demolished and replaced with ranks of organ pipes. At the same time, the room will be acoustical-

ly treated and new upholstered seats will be installed.

These changes and the need to expand the projection booth to accommodate the new equipment will reduce the seating capacity in 26-100 to approximately 150 seats. As a result, LSC will be forced to increase admission to five dollars for all films in 26-100. In addition, the physics department will be forced to schedule ten lecture sections for 8.01.

LSC spokesperson Michael Dornbrook '75 expressed LSC's thanks to the physics department for their cooperation with these renovations. Dornbrook stated that the projected completion date is now June, 1993.



LSC projection director Ed Hunter prepares new 26-100 sound system for Friday's showing of The Great Train Robbery with Dolby stereo sound.



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